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Are We Ready to Shoulder Responsibilities of Democratic Citizenship in the Coming Provincial Election?

Stimulus of Novelty of Our First Step in Democratic Political Action in 1921 Must Be Replaced By Other and Deeper Incentives—Three Necessary Elements in Social Reform Movement Which Hopes for Permanence—Are We Capable of Sustained Effort?

By PRESIDENT WOOD

In the article below, President Wood issues a rousing call to action by all members and all branches of the Association, in preparation for the forthcoming Provincial General Election. The zeal with which political activities are carried on by the membership in this election, he states, will depend upon incentives to action of a deeper sort than the first enthusiasm, largely due to the novelty of our undertaking, which was the driving force of the movement in the election of 1921.

Calling attention to the fact that the financing of political parties by outside interests has always been condemned by our organization as an outstanding evil of the party system, President Wood points out that although this evil is just as glaring as it ever was, there is today among the membership, an apparent lack of understanding of the necessity of providing the comparatively small funds necessary for the carrying on of political activities in the democratic way. He urges the membership in all parts of the Province to give their most careful attention and devote their best energies to the perfecting of the democratic machinery which they control.

Seven years ago the United Farmers of Alberta decided to enter the political field as an organized group. The fact of our being an organized group was incidental, rather than fundamental, in our decision. The thing that was fundamental in deciding the farmers of Alberta to put representatives in the Legislature and Parliament, was that we had a common interest we wanted represented. On account of our environment and lack of cohesion, to obtain this representation would have been impossible without systematic organization; especially would it have been impossible for us to select these representatives in a purely democratic way without systematic organization. The organization that we possessed at that time, together with our inherent common interest, made it possible to enter the political field as we did.

ARE WE READY TO MEET RESPONSIBILITY AGAIN?

In July, 1921, we made our first attempt, and so far as I am aware, it was the first attempt ever made by any considerable group of people, to carry on political activities in a purely democratic way. Some time during the coming summer we will be called on to face a Provincial election for a second time. We should be in a much better position to meet that responsibility than we were five years ago. But are we?

The answer to the above question necessitates a close analysis of the present condition of the organization, the spirit of the membership, and the value they place on their citizenship rights and responsibilities, as compared with the whole situation five years ago.

EMERGED FROM CONDITION OF SORDID HOPELESSNESS.

Five years ago our membership had just emerged from a condition of sordid hopelessness regarding the political situation and political institutions. They had long felt that the results of the exercise of their franchise were entirely unsatisfactory, and many of them had become extremely pessimistic in regard to the political future; but when they saw that the decision of the U. F. A. as expressed at the Annual Convention of 1919, gave them an opportunity to exercise their citizenship rights in their own way, in the selection and election of their own representatives, they were very enthusiastic in taking advantage of this first opportunity to see whether or not it could be done successfully. They went into the campaign of 1921 with great enthusiasm. The novelty of doing this thing for the first time and the anxiety of our membership to prove that it could be done successfully, added immensely to that enthusiasm. The work was zealously carried forward everywhere, and the results fully demonstrated what could be done.

At the present time we know that it can be done and we know how to do it, but the novelty of doing it no longer exists and that of itself was a great stimulus to action. That stimulus having lost its effect, it behooves every voter who is in any way interested in social development and social progress to quietly take stock of the situation, with a view to finding where citizenship duty lies, and the best way of meeting citizenship responsibility.

NO IMPORTANT REFORM BY ONE EFFORT

I think perhaps the first and most important consideration preparatory to this stock-taking, is a full understanding of the fact that no important reform can be established by one effort. This has been proven true, especially in past efforts at political reform, many of which have been made through the medium of mass movements by farmers. After a first, concerted effort, however, disintegration invariably sets in. This, of course, was the direct result of a fatal error at the beginning; viz., inaugurating the reform movement on a wrong basis; past failures the result of efforts to reform

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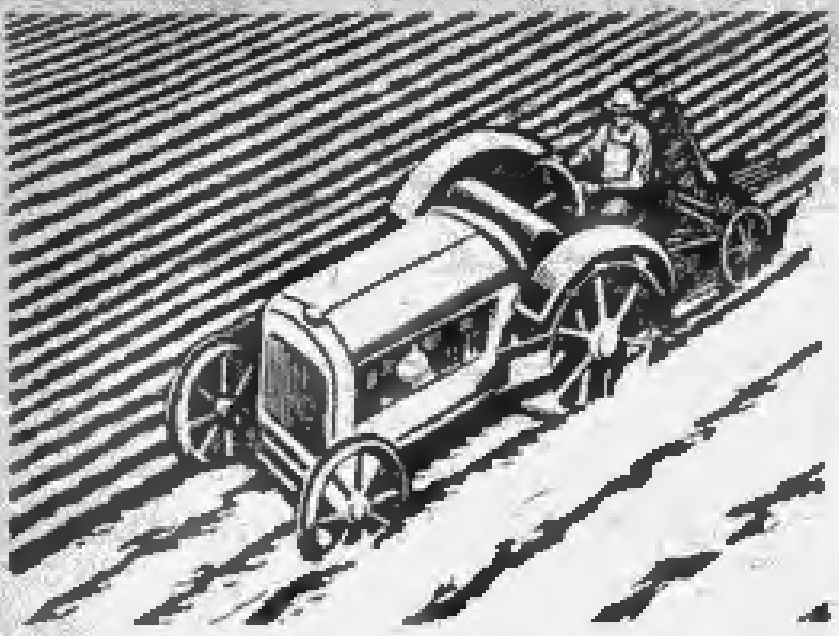

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EDITORIAL

HAVE YOU REMITTED DUES?

In order that all paid-up members may receive their copies of "The U. F. A." without delay, secretaries are urged to remit dues on hand to Central Office promptly, and at the same time to send in a list of those who are entitled to receive the paper. It is laid down in the Constitution that "the Local shall make payment of all membership fees owing the Association promptly and at least once every three months."

The co-operation of all Local officers in this matter will be much appreciated. It is to be desired that all renewals shall be paid in as rapidly as possible, and that at the same time every effort should be made to secure new members.

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AN INFAMOUS PROPAGANDA

Under the heading "Canadian Millers Receive Powerful Support From the West", the Canadian Milling and Grain Journal of Montreal publishes with unconcealed rejoicing the sympathetic editorials on the proposed wheat export duty from the Alberta Farmer and Calgary Weekly Herald. It is evident that this milling trade journal, which as the only millers' newspaper published in the Dominion, may quite fairly be regarded as the voice of the milling interests, regards the attitude which has been taken by the Alberta Farmer as highly encouraging.

The Canadian Milling and Grain Journal is not content, however, with an export duty on wheat manufactured in bond in the United States. Its editorials plainly indicate that the proposal now being advanced by the millers, is regarded only as a first step, and that the ultimate aim is the wholesale robbery of the Canadian farmers by the imposition of taxation which would prevent the exportation of wheat from the Dominion. It is also indicated just as plainly that the milling trade hopes to make use of political pressure to secure the enactment of its demands by the politicians at Ottawa.

In its February number, this milling journal complains somewhat peevishly that the Farmer members at Ottawa are opposed to the proposed export tax on the wheat growers' product, and hints very broadly that this resistance in Parliament must be overcome.

Looking beyond the smoke-screen of politics and prejudice (says the Canadian Milling and Grain Journal), the situation admits of one clear cut solution. THE WHOLE OF THE CANADIAN GRAIN CROPS SHOULD EVENTUALLY BE MANUFACTURED INTO THE FINISHED ARTICLE IN CANADA, AND EXPORTED TO FOREIGN MARKETS AS FLOUR. This is the ideal, and so far from being impossible of attainment through the accident of geography, IT IS AN IDEAL QUITE CAPABLE OF ACHIEVEMENT BY THE POWERS THAT BE AT OTTAWA. The whole of the profits of manufacture would thus be retained in Canada . . . . Our slogan should be "CANADIAN MILLS FOR CANADA'S WHEAT."

This means, if it means anything, that the whole of the exportable surplus of Canada's wheat must be held in Canada for the benefit of the Canadian millers, and that Parliament must be employed as the tool of the milling trade in the execution of the most outrageous form of wholesale robbery by legislation that has ever been seriously advanced. Any newspaper in any part of Canada which gives the slightest countenance to the export duty proposals, even though these proposals be confined for the time being to an export duty on wheat milled in bond in the United States, is giving countenance and encouragement to an infamous propaganda.

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FARMERS SECURED REDUCTION OF AUTO TARIFF

Thanks to the fact that the Ottawa Government is dependent for its existence upon the Farmer, Labor and Independent members of the House of Commons, it has been possible to secure in the budget brought down last week some reforms of high value to the vast masses of the people.

The reduction in the tax on automobiles was included in the budget proposals on the direct recommendation of the Executive of the Farmer members. There can be no doubt whatever that this welcome reduction is due entirely to our Farmer representatives. In the last Parliament G. G. Coote made repeated but unsuccessful efforts, in behalf of the Farmer group, to secure a reduction. The reduction was one of the principal items in the Farmer members' program submitted to the Government, at the beginning of the present session. The influence of these members upon the budget proposals is to be seen also in one or two other directions.

The differentiation between earned and unearned incomes, though it has been observed in Great Britain for many years past, has been recognized in a Canadian budget for the first time. That is all to the good, as is the extension of the family allowances.

The general policy of reduction of the income tax, however, is regrettable. The heavy cuts made in the taxation of the super-rich is especially to be deplored. The taxes must come from some source, and an income tax, steeply graduated to bear most heavily upon those most able to bear it, would be the best of all taxes. The tariff and other indirect taxes all bear unfairly upon the masses of the people, since there can be no graduation according to the ability of the taxpayer to pay. The average citizen, however, pays enormous sums on practically every imported manufactured article which he buys, and because the tax is disguised, does not realize when he pays high prices, just how great a proportion of these prices represents taxation. That is another evil of indirect taxation, and a good reason why the income tax should be retained, as the fairest alternative.

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The cost of a Ford touring car has been cut by $25 as a result of the reduction of the tariff, while on various other cars the reduction is lower. These reductions are directly due to the election of a group of Farmer members who hold the balance of power at Ottawa.

How much did you pay towards the cost of the last Federal election campaign? And how many times will your contribution be repaid in the reduction of the price of this one item of future expenditure?

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When the new Alberta Liberal leader was proving by word and deed the futility of partyism, he received no more notice in the party press than the U. F. A. members who have remained true to independence of partyism did then or do now.

But when he suddenly discovered that the party system

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Budget on Whole Commands Support of Farmer Members Though Some Features Do Not Arouse Enthusiam

Amendment to Soldiers' Settlement Act Passes Second Reading — Conservatives, With Some Exceptions, Treat Questions From Party Standpoint—Old Age Pensions Bill Likely to Pass the House of Commons

By G. G. COOTE, M.P.

OTTAWA, April 19.—After many weeks of tiresome debate, the House of Commons has settled down to work, and we are able to record some progress. Our group has done comparatively little talking this session. We did a good deal in the last Parliament. Now as a result of the co-operation between Liberal, Progressive, Farmer, Labor and Independent groups, legislation which we had been advocating for the past four years is coming before the House.

ANXIOUS TO PREVENT SERIOUS BUSINESS

Too much talk prevents legislation being passed. There is no doubt the Conservatives were anxious to prevent any business being transacted. Their flood of talk was mainly for that purpose. They wanted to show that the Government could not function. We are often tempted to reply to unfair criticism from the Conservative side of the House, but if we do it only helps to prolong discussion, and holds up the legislation which we are anxious to have passed.

AMENDMENT TO SOLDIER SETTLEMENT ACT

After a long debate, an amendment to the Soldier Settlement Act passed its second reading. This bill provides that any settler who has purchased land from the Soldier Settlement Board and is still residing on his farm and who believes that he paid an excessive price for it, may appeal to the Board for a revaluation. Most of the discussion centred on that section of the bill covering the constitution of the Board of Arbitration. The Conservative leaders insisted that all appeals should be heard and decided by the judge of the district court, but after strong objection to this method had been registered by several Conservative members from Manitoba, the bill was allowed to go through. The bill now provides that in all cases the appeal shall be heard by an arbitration board consisting of the judge of the district court, one person representing the Soldier Settlement Board and one person representing the settler.

The Conservatives were responsible for the inauguration of the Soldier Settlement scheme. They admit that some system of revaluation is necessary if the settlers are to be retained on the land; yet the passage of the bill was held up for days by petty criticism from prominent members of the opposition. The speech of Colonel Mullins, Conservative member for Marquette, was a welcome change from the petty criticism of most of the Conservatives. I will quote just a few sentences from his remarks: "Anyway, I am not playing politics in this. I only want to play the game fair. I think the Minister has a bill which meets with the approval of the returned

> As stated by Robert Gardiner, M.P., chairman of the U. F. A. group, in an interview recently published in this paper, the amendment of the Soldiers' Settlement Act, to provide fairer conditions for the settlers, was one of the items of legislation upon which the Farmer members insisted in their presentation to the Government of a program of desired legislation. The reduction of the tariff on automobiles was also secured by the Farmer members of the House, but this could not be announced by the Farmer group prior to the presentation of the budget. In the last Parliament, Mr. Coote moved in behalf of the Farmer group, to reduce the tariff on automobiles, but at that time the Government, which was not dependent for support upon the Farmer votes, was unsympathetic to the proposal. The Government having decided to reduce the income tax, the influence of the Farmer members is seen in the fact that the smaller incomes are given special consideration, and in the family allowances.
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> A. M. Boutilier, U. F. A. member for Vegreville, will contribute an Ottawa article to our next issue.

man and of the soldier settlers on the land who are asking for redress and for some assistance in the way of revaluation." Other Western Conservative members appeared to approach the matter with a non-partisan attitude which was very refreshing, after listening to the criticism of their leader

G. G. COOTE, M.P.

PENSIONS ACT TO PASS COMMONS

An Act to Provide for Old Age Pensions has been introduced and seems fairly sure of being passed by the House of Commons. Under its provisions persons seventy years of age who are Canadian citizens and who have resided in Canada for twenty years and who have not an income exceeding $125 per year, may receive a pension of $20 per month. The Dominion Government is to pay half the amount required for the pensions, the other half to be paid by the Province in which the applicant resides. It will only apply in such Provinces as pass the legislation necessary to bring it into force.

The House recently spent one whole day passing three items in the estimates of the Department of Agriculture. It must have been evident to anyone but a politician that some better way of discussing estimates should be found. I hope next year that Parliament will decide to send these estimates to the different select committees of the House, for discussion and approval, before coming to the House of Commons.

BUDGET BEFORE THE COMMONS

The annual budget was brought down on Thursday. We have not had time to analyze it carefully, but the financial statement as presented by Mr. Robb is quite encouraging. It shows a net reduction in the national debt during the year of $22,353,000. The National Railways have had the best year in their history. Their net earnings over all operating charges, exclusive of interest amount to $33,000,000. The annual interest charge is $71,800,000, of which $40,000,000 is payable on securities held by the public. The balance of $31,800,000 is held by the Government. The good showing of the National Railways last year is said to be due to the bountiful crop, but when the railway estimates are before the House, I have no doubt we will be told that our grain is hauled at a loss.

Other outstanding features of the budget are first,—the reduction of customs tariff on automobiles and motor trucks. The tariff on automobiles valued at not more than $1,200 and on all motor trucks and motorcycles is reduced from 35 per cent. to 20 per cent. Automobiles valued at more than $1,200 reduced from 35 per cent. to 27½ per cent. A drawback of 25 per cent. will be paid on materials used in the manufacture of above mentioned motor vehicles, provided that at least 50 per cent. of the cost of the finished article is produced in Canada.

The automobile manufacturers have raised a cry of blue ruin and the General Motors at Oshawa are reported to have closed their factory (this factory has since been reopened—Editor), in an at-

tempt to prove the Government, but as statistics show that the total wages and salaries paid by the industry amount to only 18½ per cent. of the selling price of their product and they still have 20 per cent. protection, even on the low priced cars, there is no doubt about their ability to carry on their industry in Canada.

Mr. Robb announced a return to penny postage. After July 1st next letters will be carried for two cents instead of three, as at present.

REDUCTION OF INCOME TAX

The most interesting announcement to many people was the reduction of income tax. The principle of taxing incomes is economically sound. It is based on the tax payer's ability to pay and we think some of the other taxes might be reduced first. There has been so much propaganda in favor of reduction of this tax, that it was bound to come. There are, however, certain very welcome changes in regard to this tax. The act is now presented in a new and less complicated form, one which will make the tax easier to calculate. A distinction has been made between yearly earnings and income derived from investments. The increase in exemptions will be welcomed by a large number of taxpayers who have small incomes.

While there are certain things in the budget which we are not wildly enthusiastic about, I believe on the whole it is a budget which commands our support. One statement in Mr. Robb's budget speech, of much interest to Western Canada, was his reference to the increase of our exports of cattle to Great Britain since the removal of the embargo. Of course it was fortunate for us that the Old Country market was opened to our stocker cattle, but it would be difficult to convince some of the men who raised these cattle that they had made enough profit on the transaction to pay the expenses of Honorable Duncan Marshall, Honorable Manning Doherty, Honorable Robert Rogers and all the other numerous Honorable Gentlemen who claim the credit for removing the embargo in Great Britain.

U. S. MARKET STILL CLOSED

Meanwhile, the United States market is almost closed to us by a tariff of two cents a pound. The average value of cattle exported to the United States has dropped from $61 in 1918 and $93 in 1920 to $39 per head in 1924. If as much effort were made to secure free entry of our cattle to the United States, as was made to secure the removal of the British embargo, some improvement might be made in the situation. We have in Britain a Canadian High Commissioner, four Canadian trade agents and a special agricultural agent. We have no Canadian Ambassador at Washington and only one trade agent in the whole of the United States. One of our objectives is a Canadian Ambassador at Washington to assist in bringing about better trade relations between Canada and the United States. We also need more trade commissioners to promote trade between these two countries.

The next two weeks will likely be taken up with the discussion of the budget, so it will be about the first of May before we really begin again to make progress with our legislative program.

ARE WE READY TO SHOULDER RESPONSIBILITIES OF DEMOCRATIC CITIZENSHIP?

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a wrong system. Reformation of a wrong thing is impossible. Real reform consists of eradicating wrong things and substituting right ones. We believe that we started on the right lines, by substituting a new political system for the old. We are convinced that the old system is wrong, and we still believe our new system is right.

There are three necessary elements that enter into social reform movements. One of these is the Right Basis, which we believe we have. The other two are: Practical Methods and Sustained Effort. We believe that so far, our methods of procedure have been entirely practical. This leaves the vital question of whether we shall go forward, or by inaction let disintegration set in. In other words, are we going to sustain our effort?

DEEPER INCENTIVES TO ACTION

Sustained effort through a long, continued process cannot be supported by continuous enthusiasm. In our political activities, regular periods of enthusiasm may and should occur, but the enthusiasm incident to the novelty of doing a thing for the first time can only occur once. The zeal with which we carry on our political activities in the coming election will depend primarily on other and deeper incentives to action. It will depend on our realization of citizenship responsibilities and the value we put on our opportunities.

If this citizenship consciousness has been growing and developing in us for the last five years, as it should, we will not only go forward with our work in the coming campaign, but will do so enthusiastically.

The first thing we should do is to refresh our minds on our responsibilities. All there is to be done in the campaign will have to be done by US. We have no political bosses to direct and take the responsibility for this work. It is OURS, from the very first move that is made in the selection of delegates to the Convention, till the election is over.

The machinery itself, for carrying on the work, is not by any means in the condition it should be. The Locals need reviving. There are evidences that this revival is taking place, but not to the extent that should be. Meetings of the Locals with full attendance should be held and the whole situation reviewed. Each Local should make a concerted effort to get in all available material for membership. Meetings of the smaller district organizations should be held and an inventory made of all Locals in the district and the condition of each one analyzed. There should be a concerted effort to revive dormant Locals, if any, and to assist the weaker ones. Each constituency organization should get together and thoroughly analyze the situation in the whole constituency, and perfect the best organization possible. The right kind of delegates should be selected in ample time. Each Local should attend to this and also provide for its part of the necessary finances.

FINANCES NECESSARY TO CARRY ON

One of the most disappointing and discouraging things in our whole political movement, is the seeming indifference on the part of the membership in providing sufficient finances to carry on. This is especially disappointing, as before we started our movement the financing of political parties by outside interests was condemned by the members of our organization as an outstanding evil of the party system. This evil is just as great and just as glaring as it ever was. We have reduced the necessary expenses of carrying on political activities to the minimum, to a mere pittance, and still there seems to be a lamentable indifference among a large number of our membership in providing this pittance. This is not only wrong, but it is dangerous. If we refuse to provide the necessary finances to carry on our movement, it will fail, or have to be financed from some other source. In the latter case, control and finance will come from the same source. We cannot escape the fact that we get what we pay for, and we pay for what we get.

There will be work from now until the election for everyone interested in our movement for better politics and better government. Everyone in the organization should do his part, the private members, the Local leaders, the district leaders, the constituency leaders and the Provincial leaders, should all work together systematically. This can be done by putting the machinery of the organization in working order and making it work. It can be done in no other way. The Local work will depend primarily on the Local workers. Their efforts, of course, can be supplemented by outside assistance, where that assistance is needed and available.

DEAD DEMOCRATS CANNOT FUNCTION

The work will be easy where the Local members have had enough citizenship interest to keep their Locals alive and at work, but where the individuals in the Locals have slept while the Local died the resurrection of the Local must await the reawakening of the individuals. Democracy must be carried on by living, awakened democrats. A dead democrat functions only when properly planted in a graveyard. He cannot function in vital democracy.

Are we dead? I do not believe it. Are we dying? I do not believe it. Are we asleep? Some of us have been, but we are already beginning to awaken, and when that process is complete, and our membership lined up in proper formation, we will represent the greatest organized democratic force that ever went into political action.

CALL TO ACTION HAS COME

The call to action has come. That call is to all of us collectively and to each individually. No one can force us, or any one of us to respond. The response must be voluntary. All democratic action is voluntary. The work itself is great, and the call urgent, and none can respond for us. What will the response be? It is up to you. It is up to me. Each must answer for himself. What will be YOUR answer?

SCAPA LOCAL FORMED

Fifteen members paid dues in the new Scapa Local, organized by J. K. Sutherland recently, in Hand Hills constituency. A. R. Hansen and J. B. Macdonald were elected officers.

War Declared on Co-operative Livestock Pool By Calgary Livestock Exchange; License of U.L.G., Ltd., Suspended

Without Offering Any Complaint, Board Arbitrarily Suspends License—Pool Refuses to Reveal Its Business Affairs to Principal Trade Rivals—Pool Applies to Ottawa for Special License—Shippers Can Ship as Usual With Absolute Confidence—Powers of Provincial Government if Federal Government Fails

War was declared on the Alberta Livestock Pool on April 26th, when the Calgary Livestock Exchange indefinitely suspended the license of the United Livestock Growers, Ltd., without offering any reason or preferring any charge whatsoever against the Pool.

This arbitrary action followed the refusal of the officers of the Pool to permit the representatives of three of the strongest rivals of the co-operative company (Mr. Parslow of the firm of Parslow & Denson, Mr. Biggs of the Mayland Commission Company, and Mr. Purgeon of Adams, Wood & Weller) to make an examination into all the books and records of the United Livestock Growers, Ltd.

The U. L. G., Ltd., have applied by wire to the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, for a special license under the Livestock and Livestock Products Act, for a limited period, pending an investigation by the Department into the action taken by the Calgary Exchange.

"BUSINESS AS USUAL", STATES U. L. G. PRESIDENT

The officers of the United Livestock Growers, Ltd., state with confidence, in a circular issued by C. Rice-Jones, president, "Whatever happens we will be doing business as usual. We have recently been handling nearly 50 per cent. of the livestock on the Calgary and Edmonton markets. Whatever steps are taken by our opposition, arrangements will be made to handle the stock received by us."

The demand for U. L. G., Ltd., to turn over its books for examination by three of its principal rivals was made on April 17th, when Messrs. Parslow, Biggs and Purgeon stated that they had been appointed by the directors of the exchange to make the inquiry, and at the same time declined to make any charge or complaint. President Rice-Jones promptly rejected the demand; his action was confirmed the same day by the Alberta section of the board of the U. L. G., consisting of Messrs. Claypool, McMillan and Stearns.

POOL REFUSES TO REVEAL AFFAIRS TO RIVALS

For this refusal to reveal the details of the business of the co-operative organization to its principal rivals, Wm. Scothard, head salesman and manager of the Calgary office, who represents the company's membership on the exchange, was instructed to appear before the exchange directors on April 19th. The president again declined to give way, the reasons for this refusal to capitulate being given in the following letter from the president of the U. L. G. to the exchange, dated April 19th, to which the exchange has to date made no reply:

> The letter under date of the 19th inst., from the committee of investigation, signed by yourself, Mr. Biggs and Mr. Purgeon, has been referred to me this morning.
>
> I understand that on account of the company connected with the Calgary office that no intimation of any kind has been received from your organization suggesting the nature of any alleged infractions of your By-laws and Regulations, nor has any exception been taken to our method of trading on the yards. I cannot believe that the rules and regulations of the Exchange ever contemplated such an extraordinary procedure as to permit the appointment of a committee of representatives of competing firms, whose system of carrying on business is entirely different from ours, to have free access to our books and records without any intimation to us of the reason for such an investigation or the nature of any complaint made to the Exchange which has led to this demand.
>
> Under the circumstances I must decline on behalf of this company to accede to the demand made in your letter.
>
> Yours very truly,
> UNITED LIVESTOCK GROWERS, LTD.
> C. Rice-Jones, President.

SUSPENSION, BUT NO REPLY

Instead of replying to Mr. Rice-Jones' letter, the exchange wrote to the U.L.G. as follows:

> "Take notice that at a meeting of the Board of Directors held this day, the privileges of the Commission Merchants License which your firm holds from the Calgary Livestock Exchange, Limited, has been suspended indefinitely, commencing Monday morning, April 26th, 1926.
>
> "You will please govern yourself accordingly.
>
> "Yours truly,
> "CALGARY LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE, LIMITED,
> Per L. V. Parslow, President.
> Jas. C. Paulin, Sec.-Treas.

Here again there was no charge made, and the Pool was sentenced and condemned without being informed of any complaint whatsoever.

"How long could the Wheat Pool or any other co-operative organization live if its opponents could walk into their office at any time and have free access to their books and records?" asks Mr. Rice-Jones in a statement issued on April 26th. "This would create an absolutely intolerable situation for any co-operative marketing organization, and I do not believe the producers of livestock in Alberta will stand for this kind of procedure.

"The course taken by the United Livestock Growers since the Committee of Investigation first appeared at their office on Saturday, the 17th, has been heartily and entirely approved by a meeting of the full Board of United Livestock Growers, Ltd., held in Calgary this morning. The Board of Directors wish to say to the Livestock Shipping Associations and producers whom they represent in Alberta that as far as they are concerned this is going to be a fight to the finish. They intend to find out whether they are running United Livestock Growers or the Directors of the Calgary Livestock Exchange.

"In the final analysis it is up to the producers of livestock who own the United Livestock Growers to decide whether our course of action is justified or not and we are quite prepared to leave the decision in their hands. We have applied by wire to Ottawa for a special license which the Department of Agriculture can grant under the Livestock and Livestock Products Act. We have asked for this license for a limited period pending an investigation by the Department as to whether our actions have been justified."

"BUSINESS AS USUAL"

Following the arbitrary action of the Calgary Livestock Exchange, in its war against the co-operative livestock marketing Pool, President C. Rice-Jones of the U. L. G. Ltd., announced on April 26th that whatever happens the company will be doing "business as usual." Important information for all U. L. G. shippers is given below.

OTTAWA FORBIDS WEIGHING FOR U. L. G.

On April 26th, the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa wired the manager of the Alberta Stockyards Company, instructing him not to weigh any livestock for the U. L. G.

"This need not in any way alarm shippers, however; the shipping associations and shippers can with confidence continue to send their stock forward to the United Livestock Growers, Calgary, as usual," was the definite assurance given by C. Rice-Jones, president of the United Livestock Growers, in an interview with "The U. F. A."

AT THE FULL MARKET PRICE

"All stock, whether cattle, hogs or sheep, will be settled for at the full market price, whether actually sold or not. Hogs that have been weighed at country points will be settled for on the basis of the country weights, less the average shrinkage from the shipping points. If no Government grader is available, they will be graded by our hog salesman, Alex. Beveridge. Hogs that have not been weighed at country points will be settled for on an off car basis, the off car weights being used, or the off car weights on all of them will be taken if preferable to the shipper. These weights will be procurable from the railway company.

"With regard to cattle, where it is not possible to make a sale, on account of buyers having been warned by the exchange to keep away from our alleys, the cattle will be marked up at the full market price after consultation with the shipper, and arrangements are under way for the weighing of these cattle elsewhere than on the stockyards. If the cattle shippers prefer, or if further obstacles are put in the way of weighing cattle, a liberal advance on the agreed value of the cattle will be made to the shippers, and final settlement will be made whenever weighing facilities are again available. In the case of it being necessary to hold the cattle, the hay bill after the first day will be paid by the selling agency.

"The board of directors feel that this is the organization's fight, and individual shippers will be absolutely protected against any loss. Whatever loss may occur will be borne by the organization as a whole. The gauntlet has been thrown down by the Calgary Livestock Exchange. We have taken up the challenge, absolutely confident that the final outcome will be complete victory.

"The present difficulty, I may say, is in no way between our members on the lo-

...ation market."

George Hoadley, Provincial Minister of Agriculture, pointed out in an interview that the stockyards are at present regulated by the Federal Government, and the livestock exchanges are permitted to make their own regulations, which must be approved by the Federal Department of Agriculture. If regulation by the Dominion Government failed, however, as he had stated on another occasion in the Assembly, when an investigation into the operations of the livestock yards was asked for in a motion by Messrs. Claypool and N. S. Smith, the Provincial Government has the right to wipe out the enabling legislation and take control of the situation itself.

COURT GRANTS INJUNCTION

When the above was written and as we go to press an injunction has been granted in the Supreme Court of Alberta, against the Alberta Stockyards Company and the Calgary Livestock Exchange, restraining them from depriving the U. F. A. of its rights. Operations will therefore be carried on as usual. Further news next issue.—Editor.

Brooding and Feeding Chicks by the Most Efficient Modern Methods

Issued by the Alberta Egg and Poultry Pool

Brooding and feeding chicks today is a very different proposition to what it used to be a few years ago, when the only appliances available, except old Mother Hen, were the lamp burning portable hover, or the old fashioned box brooder, known to poultrymen of today as the "death trap." In those days only about 50 per cent of all chicks hatched ever developed into profitable birds.

The coal burning brooder stove has taken the uncertainty out of the brooding problem, and any person with average intelligence can raise almost every chick to speedy maturity, by simply fitting up an unused granary, procuring a brooder stove of a reliable make, and following the manufacturer's directions.

SUITABLE SIZE OF BROODER HOUSE

A very suitable size of brooder house for from 200 to 400 chicks is 12x18, the 12 feet way to face south, which should have a door in one corner. The rest of this side should be tightly boarded up about 2 feet from the floor; above this should be glass windows 2 feet high, then cotton screens 2 feet, built on 1x2 frames, which should be hinged at the top to open inward on all fine days, to give chicks plenty of fresh air. Fresh air is very necessary. These screens should be closed at night; enough fresh air will come through the cotton during the night for ventilation.

Great care should be taken that there are no drafts. If lumber is not tight, cover with tarpaper and laths, always running paper up and down (not round the building), as it will hang better and make a tighter job. It is wise to lath at, and between the joists. Floor drafts are sure death to young chicks, so provide a space for the brooding compartment by lining up a space for the brooder stove two to three feet high on the inside of the building, to guard against floor drafts; then bend 1-2 inch lumber in the four corners to keep chicks from crowding therein (as per plan).

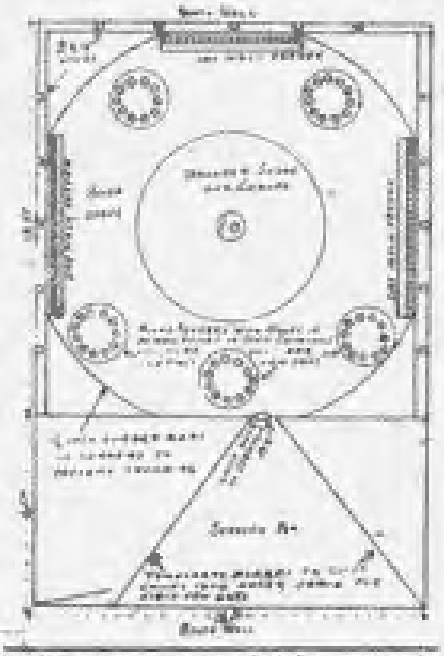
WILL ACCOMMODATE ABOUT 400 CHICKS

This floor plan of brooder house is 12x18 ft., equipped with the largest size brooder stove, rated by the manufacturers as the thousand or twelve hundred chick size. It will accommodate about 400 chicks from a day old to weaning time, when cockerels must be taken out and sold, or fattened for broilers.

All manufacturers of brooder stoves rate the capacity by the day old baby chicks they will accommodate. These figures should be halved, to give the maximum number of chicks they will accommodate to weaning age, or the age when they can get along without artificial heat (generally from five to six weeks, according to weather conditions).

Hard coal being difficult to procure in Alberta, the large stove will prove more satisfactory than the smaller sizes, as it holds more soft coal and will hold fire longer. The extra cost is trifling, taking into consideration that with care brooder stove will last a lifetime.

It is wise for the beginner to hang an ordinary good house thermometer just at the edge of the hover, with bulb two inches from the floor, and keep it about 100 degrees the first few days until he or she gains experience in regulating the heat of the stove. Very soon one can tell by the action of the chicks round the hover if the temperature is correct. It is a safe plan to have a little too much heat for the first week to ten days, as heat is very necessary for the proper absorption of the yolk, which the chick takes into its body a few hours before it is hatched.



Always run the brooder stove two days before chicks are put in, to make sure it is running correctly.

BEST METHOD OF FEEDING BABY CHICKS

The dry deep litter method of feeding chicks is by far the safest, easiest, and cheapest way to raise the farm flock.

When chicks are from 48 to 60 hours old, take them from the incubator or chick boxes in which they have been shipped, dip each chick's beak in tepid water (not cold), allow each chick to take three or four swallows of water. Then put them down on the floor of the brooder house on which has been scattered coarse sand, leave them on this sanded floor for half an hour (a chick's first feed should be a little coarse sand). Then put over sand about one inch of litter. Fine cut alfalfa hay, or alfalfa leaves is by far the best, but fine cut wheat straw or chaff will do. Three times a day scatter a little granulated oatmeal into this litter to encourage chicks to scratch and exercise. After the first four or five days gradually change to a good brand of commercial chick grains.

Dry mash should be kept in hoppers before the chicks at all times from the start. It is safer to use a well known chick starter or chick mash for the first three or four weeks. Such are evenly balanced and ground very much finer than home mixed mashes, which is a very great advantage.

There are chick feeds on the market which have been used with very excellent results; in fact large bunches of chicks have been raised to maturity with practically no mortality. Full feeding instructions are sent with each package. If one will give chicks a little intelligent care and follow these instructions, success is assured.

Sour skim milk, or buttermilk, should be before the chicks always in clean chick feeders, or a ten pound lard pail with a small hole at the top, then filled with milk and turned over into straight edged pie plate, or any other method which will keep chicks from getting wet.

WHEN TO LET CHICKS INTO SCRATCHING PEN

When chicks are from six to ten days old, let them out into the scratching pen, which is littered six to eight inches deep with cut straw or fine chaff in which has been buried fifty pounds of fine chick grains. The chicks will be found busy all day digging away in this litter, thereby gaining exercise which is so necessary for proper development. As chicks have to work hard for all the grains they eat, there is no danger of over-eating.

Chicks should be let outside as soon as possible after the first week. It is wise to build a one inch wire run, coming to a point at the door by which chicks enter the brooder house to guide them back to the hover, to avoid chicks getting lost. Follow the rule with young chicks, "All roads lead to the hover." Cover the ground with oats in the outside run and dig them in. These will sprout and chicks will scratch and dig for the tender sprouts.

"DON'TS" FOR THE CHICKEN RAISER.

Don't feed any wet or moldy feed to chicks.

Don't feed hard boiled eggs until chicks are ten days old.

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Efficiency in Administration Combined With Honesty of Purpose Revealed in Record of Recent Session

One of Shortest Sessions on Record Proves One of the Most Fruitful in Accomplishment for the Good of the Province—Review of the Work of the Session

By JOHN MACKENZIE

The 1926 session of the Alberta Legislative Assembly, while one of the shortest on record, has been one of the most fruitful in accomplishment for the good of the Province.

It has provided a splendid example of efficiency in administration combined with honesty of purpose.

Opposition critics have claimed the reverse, but neither in the debate on the Speech from the Throne, nor in the debate on the Budget did they challenge the Government's position by an amendment.

Seventy-one bills have been passed during the session. Many are amendments to existing acts, but others, such as the Insurance Act and the Municipal Districts Act, constitute a complete revision of the acts previously in force.

For the first time in a number of years, the public accounts showed a surplus of revenue over income, the amount being $188,619 00, the second largest surplus in the Province's history.

LETHBRIDGE NORTHERN ON BETTER BASIS

The Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway, which has been a problem of the Province since 1910, will probably, as a result of steps taken this session, cease to be the drain on the Province that it has been in the past.

Another commitment of the past, the Lethbridge Northern Irrigation scheme, has been placed on a better business basis, and although the Province will for a number of years assist the farmers of that area to meet the interest on the indebtedness of the district, settlement has proceeded very rapidly, and all in the south country feel very hopeful about the ultimate success of the project.

The bill transferring to the Province its natural resources has been carried to the committee stage, and only awaits the taking of similar action in the Dominion House and the consent of the Imperial Parliament to become law. Agreement has been reached between the Governments concerned on the principle of the bill. The Provincial Assembly will meet on or about May 5 to consider any amendments that may be inserted by the Dominion.

The Farm Loan legislation is also awaiting action of the Dominion authorities.

A railway extension of 27 miles into the fertile Peebles section has been authorized, as also short extensions to the A. & G. W. and the Lacombe and North-Western Railways.

The Province has asked the Dominion for a license to enable it to control development of the Spray Lakes power site, and also that the Board of Public Utility Commissioners of the Province shall have jurisdiction of the issuing of charters.

RAPID PROGRESS IN ROAD CONSTRUCTION

A further extensive program of building highways and market roads throughout the Province has been authorized.

Despite representations made by both prohibitionists and hotelkeepers, the Government decided to make no changes in the Liquor Act, on the ground that the act had not yet had a fair trial, also that petitioners had the Direct Legislation Act available.

Discussion of the Geo. P. Smith case proved that no political move attached to the prosecution.

The Legislature has decided to apply the interest on the $112,000 which is the Province's share of the Canada Wheat Board's surplus, to the development of co-operative marketing, and to agricultural research.

The telephone system is showing an increase in income and decrease in operating costs, but owing to excessive capitalization caused by large expenditures in 1921 for colonization telephones, an inquiry is being instituted into the whole telephone situation, with a view of putting the system on a business basis, as regards capitalization and rates.

The redistribution committee, representative of all shades of opinion in the Assembly which was appointed last year, failed to agree, the Liberals being against changes at the present time. Consequently, the changes made will be confined to the separation of rural from urban areas in the Medicine Hat, Calgary and Edmonton districts.

There will be no increase in taxation this year. The supplementary tax levy will be reduced by approximately 20 per cent. by reason of reduced assessments.

NEW LEGISLATION OF RECENT SESSION

The provisions of the Mothers' Allowance Act will be extended to wives whose husbands are totally incapacitated.

For the assistance of primary education, a new system of graded school grants has been authorized, which will be of great assistance in parts of the Province where settlement is sparse or crops have been light. The Education Act has been amended to allow the department to undertake the supplying of school books to pupils and others, which should do much to reduce the cost of books.

Regulations affecting the drilling of oil and gas wells will, it is hoped, encourage the development of an industry which promises much for the prosperity of the Province.

The principle of a nine-hour day for labor is now incorporated in the statutes of the Province, and a commission has been appointed to investigate the practicability or otherwise of the eight-hour day in this Province.

Increased protection is given to widows under the amendments to the Dower Act passed at this session.

An Act for the Settlement of Labor Disputes establishes machinery to substitute arbitration for strikes. The act was made necessary by the Dominion Lemieux Act being declared ultra vires, and the Province decided to bring forward an act of their own, as it was felt that long distance supervision of labor disputes from Ottawa was not conducive to speedy settlement of disputes.

LABOR, INDEPENDENT, AND SOME LIBERAL SUPPORT

During the session the Government has had the general support of the two Labor members, and of the Independent member, R. Pearson, of Calgary; while Mrs. Nellie McClung has also supported the Government in the majority of divisions.

The Assembly during the session lost the services of Chas. R. Mitchell, leader of the Opposition, who has been elevated to the Supreme Court Bench. His place has been taken by J. C. Bowen, Edmonton Liberal member. While handicapped by lack of numbers, and by the lack of material for criticism in the Government's administrative and legislative program, the opposition has been fair and of value in the conduct of the work of the Province, the only persistent obstructionist being R. C. Marshall, of Calgary.

Premier Brownlee, in his first session as Premier, has earned a permanent reputation for statesmanship, and has been ably backed by his cabinet and by the other members of the Government. The only criticism to be made is that he has been overworking himself, conducting the offices of Premier and Attorney-General.

BILLS PASSED DURING RECENT SESSION

Herewith is a list of the bills passed into law at this session:

No. 1—Amending the Acts and Ordinances Constituting the Charter of the City of Calgary.

No. 2—Amending the Lethbridge Charter.

No. 3—An Act to Incorporate St. Joseph's College.

No. 4—Amending Chapter 41 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1913 (second session) being an Act to Incorporate the Calgary Young Women's Christian Association.

No. 5—Amending the Acts Constituting Edmonton Charter and to Validate Certain Local Improvement and Other Bylaws of the City of Edmonton.

No. 6—An Act to Incorporate the Edmonton Mutual Building Loan Association, Limited.

No. 7—An Act for the Protection of Persons Employed in Factories, Shops and Office Buildings.

No. 8—An Act to Amend the Rollers Act.

No. 9—Amending Superannuation Act.

No. 10—An Act respecting Insurance.

No. 11—Amending the Municipal Hail Insurance Act.

No. 12—An Act respecting Municipal Elections.

No. 12—Amending the Agricultural Posts Act.
No. 13—Amending the Alberta Evidence Act.
No. 15—Amending the Alberta Pharmaceutical Association Act.
No. 16—Amending the Telephone and Telegraph Act.
No. 17—An Act respecting the Lacombe and Northwestern Railway.
No. 18—An Act respecting the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway Company.
No. 19—Amending the Dental Association Act.
No. 20—Amending the Societies Act, 1924.
No. 21—An Act to Provide for the Prevention and Suppression of Fires.
No. 22—Amending the Lethbridge Northern Colonization Act.
No. 23—Amending the Irrigation Districts Act.
No. 24—Amending the Drainage Districts Act, 1924.
No. 25—Amending the Noxious Weeds Act.
No. 26—Amending the Vehicles and Highway Traffic Act, 1924.
No. 27—Amending the School Assessment Act.
No. 28—Amending the Judicature Act.
No. 29—Amending the Public Health Act.
No. 31—Amending the Mothers' Allowances Act.
No. 34—Amending the Trustee Act.
No. 35—Amending the Municipal Hospitals Act.
No. 36—Amending the Pharmacy Light Act.
No. 37—Amending the Optometry Act.
No. 38—Amending the Hospitals Act.
No. 39—An Act respecting Dogs.
No. 40—Amending the Village Act.
No. 42—Amending the Legal Profession Act.
No. 43—Amending the Stallion Enrolment Act, 1924.
No. 44—Amending the Game Act.
No. 45—Amending the Religious Societies' Lands Act.
No. 46—Amending the Maintenance Order Act.
No. 47—Amending the Bills of Sale Act.
No. 48—An Act to Validate and Confirm an Order of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners.
No. 49—An Act to Provide for the Settlement of Labor Disputes.
No. 50—Amending the Medical Profession Act.
No. 51—Amending the Public Works Department Act.
No. 52—Amending the School Act.
No. 53—Amending the Department of Education Act.
No. 54—Amending the Venereal Diseases Prevention Act.
No. 55—Amending the Domestic Animals (Unregistered Territory) Act.
No. 56—Amending the School Grants Act.
No. 57—Amending the Dower Act.
No. 58—Amending the Corporations Taxation Act.
No. 59—Amending the Provincial Loans Act.
No. 60—Amending the Savings Certificates Act.
No. 61—Amending the Treasury Department Act.
No. 62—An Act to Provide for the Regulation of Oil and Gas Wells.
No. 63—An Act to Authorize the Construction of the Peace River Railway.
No. 64—Amending the Supplementary Revenue Act.
No. 65—Amending the Educational Act.
No. 67—Amending the Timber Areas Tax Act.
No. 70—An Act respecting Advances to Seed Growers.
No. 72—An Act for Raising Money on the Credit of the General Revenue Fund of Alberta.
No. 73—An Act to Validate and Confirm the Levy and Collection of School Taxes in the Municipal District of Springbank.
No. 74—Amending an Act to Incorporate the Wetaskiwin Power and Light Company.
No. 77—Amending the Stock Inspection Act, 1922.
No. 78—An Act respecting the Investment of the Surplus Moneys of the Canadian Wheat Board Received by the Government

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No. 29—Amending the Domestic Animals Act (municipalities).

No. 32—Amending the Legislative Assembly Act.

No. 33—An Act respecting the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway and the Central Canada Railway.

Is Telephone System Worth Saving?

John Lund Has Sound Advice on Our Telephones and Other Matters for a Co-Worker

Under the above title an important letter from John A. Lund, of the Barons U.F.A. Local, appeared in a recent issue of the Calgary Albertan. Mr. Lund answers a member of the Local who stated he had left the U.F.A. on account of the action of the Annual Convention in proposing a tax on lands adjacent to telephone lines and makes out a strong case in favor of the Convention resolution.

Mr. Lund has been an active member of the U.F.A. for many years, and his loyal and valued services to the Association are well known. He states in his letter that his Local was many times in the minority upon matters dealt with by the organization, but always realized that it was poor policy to "quit a fight at the first round." Later developments, he states, fully justified the confidence of Barons Local. The only way in which any member or Local who may differ from the majority can ever hope to be effective, Mr. Lund points out, is by staying in the organization and fighting for the policy in which he believes.

As the letter is of exceptional interest, we publish it in full below:

Editor, Calgary Albertan:

I noticed in a Calgary paper that a member of our Local U.F.A. has discovered a cause which may be the reason that the membership of the organization is not what it might be. Anyway, he has found a reason why he no longer can be a member. The reason in his case is that the U.F.A. Convention went on record in favor of taxing all lands adjacent to a telephone line, so as to insure a permanent and serviceable telephone system in the Province.

Now, while I under no circumstances have any desire to censure him for expressing his opinion, and as he happens to be a personal friend, I expect that he will allow me to take issue with him on all points.

Poor Policy to Quit

In the first place, it is poor policy to quit a fight at the first round and to abandon an organization because the majority have a different view from ourselves. The thing to do would be to take the grievance to the Local and thresh it out there to the last thread, and if the verdict still is unfavorable, to keep on fighting within the organization where it would be effective, and if overruled by the majority, abide by it until a more favorable time. No good purpose is served by quitting.

I know from long personal experience both in the Local and in the Conventions that if some of us have an idea that is for sound progress, that idea is not lost even if ruthlessly thrown out by the majority when first submitted. Nine-tenths of the resolutions submitted by

...which could lead which we thought to ... [illegible] ...

Were Accepted as Matter of Course

...And some of these resolutions were put ... [illegible] ...

Time to Mark "Them as Collector"

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Increase Value of the Land

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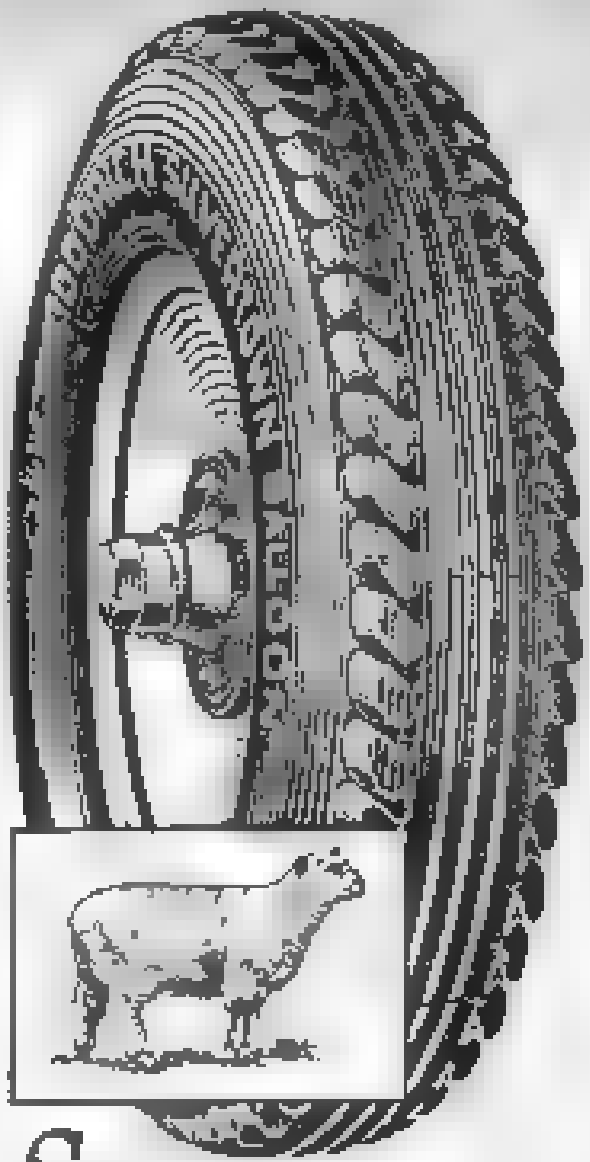

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Hanna JOHN A. LOND

ON STEERING THE MILLERS' AGITATION

Editor The U.F.A.

I was surprised to learn at our U.F.A. meeting some time ago that a number of our officers as well as other members are laboring under the impression that an embargo on our wheat going into the U.S. would benefit us.

Then argument is that our wheat going through the U.S. in bond for milling and being exported to the European markets was an unfair competition to our dear Canadian millers.

As this idea may have been prevalent in other places the articles cover up this aspect of the situation by President Wood will undoubtedly have done real good in the organization.

W. D. TREGO

Kenwood, Alta.

CAN'T FOOL THESE BOYS

Editor The U.F.A.

Do you not think "The Observer" in the Alberta Farmer a somewhat of a minstering angel be somewhat?

We farmers take our hats off as very much he has said many agreeable things but when he takes us for a cat's paw to have he miller chestnuts out of the fire, he has another guess coming. Now is the time we appreciate the U.F.A. men at Ottawa. They can't fool these boys and we are glad to back them.

H. C. PICHT

Ramona, Alta.

BANKS ARE AT ONE WITH

Edgewood U.F.A. branch held on general in January last has now 34 members and the Wm. Morrison the secretary. Meetings are well attended and at each meeting new members join. On March 4th a supper and concert was given in conjunction with the U.F.A. Local. A good crowd of invited despite the condition of the roads and $30 was added to the U.F.A. treasury.

DISCUSS HOME MANAGEMENT

Home management and the buying of supplies in large quantities was the subject of a round table discussion at the last meeting of Woodville U.F.W.A. Local

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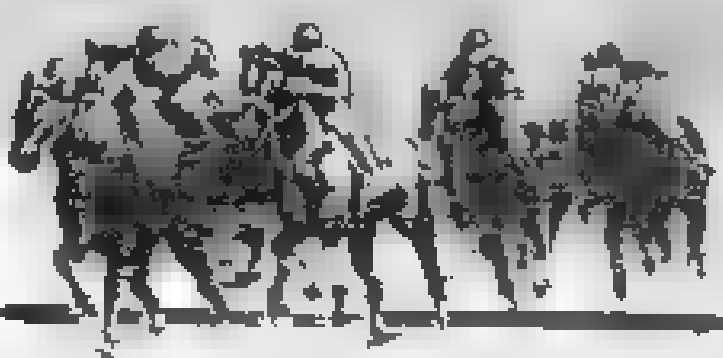

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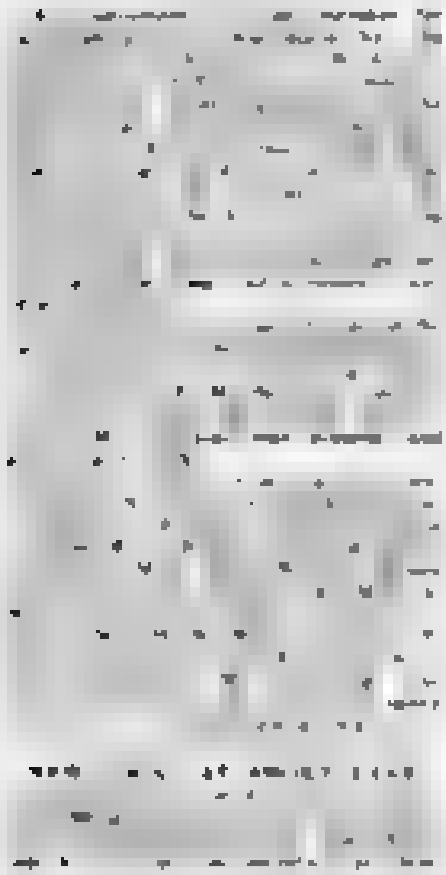

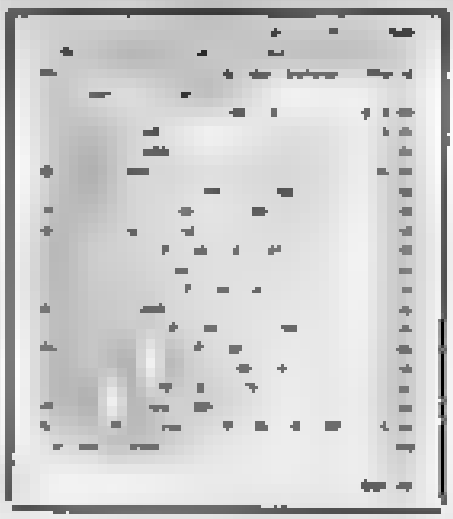

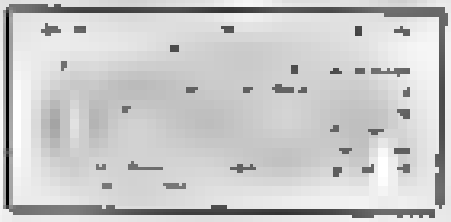

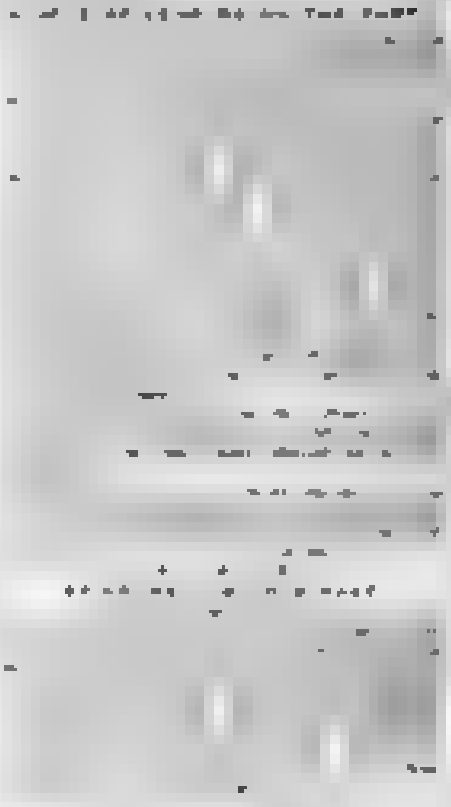

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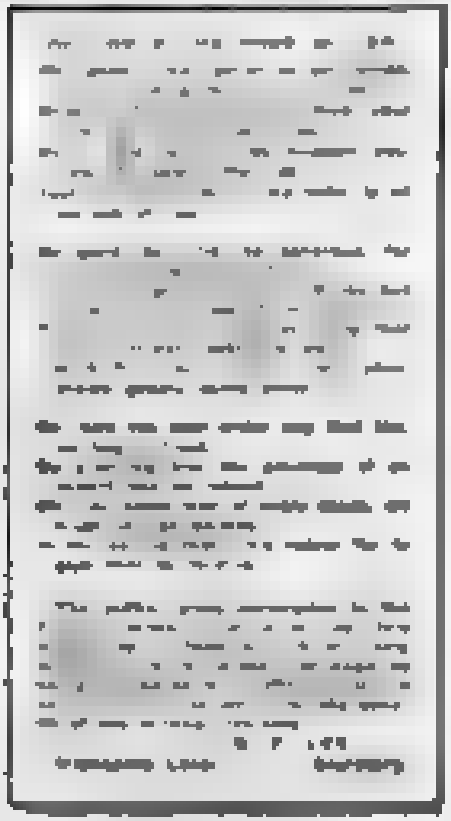

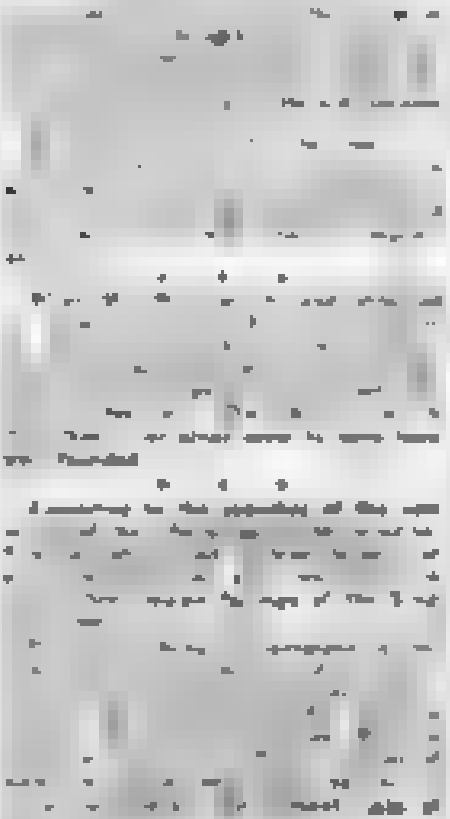

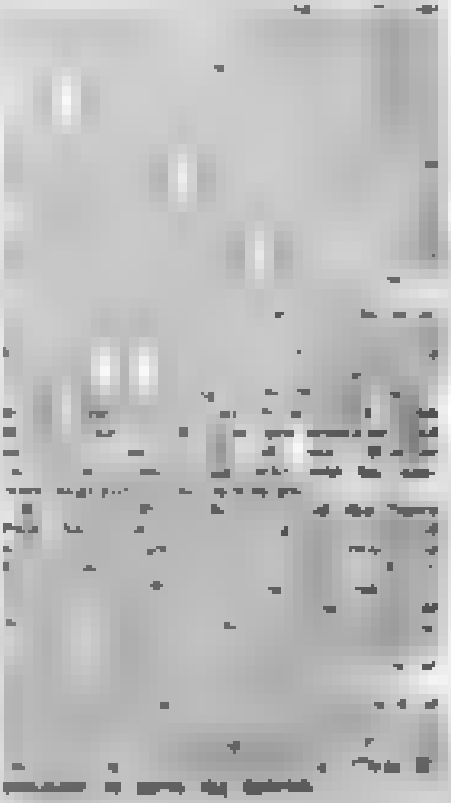

U.F.A. Government Steadily Eradicating the Weeds and Waste From Public Affairs in This Province

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Resolution of Student's Daughter Delivered in Legislature

hold this office for an indefinite period. (What is meant by indefinite period?)

4. That the period of salutary office-holding by any one person is limited to three years. (Another arbitrary judgment).

5. That the chairmanship of the Wheat Pool is a job that requires the chairman's undivided attention. (This may be true, but presupposes intimate knowledge both of the chairman's job and the chairman's capacities.)

6. That the U. F. A. is in a critical condition. (In what sense critical? Its membership is now increasing.)

7. That the undivided efforts of its Executive would tend to mitigate this crisis. (This involves, most clearly of all, the general fallacy underlying the whole argument, namely, that the welfare of the U. F. A. depends primarily on the efforts of its appointed officers.)

There is an ancient Greek legend which may serve to throw some light on the somewhat puzzling psychology of the Hudson Heights resolutions. The custom of ostracism was a device whereby any citizen of Athens could register his wish to have a political leader displaced and banished. The story goes that one Aristides, surnamed "The Just" from his wise rule, met a man one day who asked him for assistance in writing the name of Aristides on his shell. "What have you against Aristides?" was the question. "Oh, nothing in particular," said the man, "but I am sick and tired of always hearing him called 'Aristides the Just'". Thereupon the ruler calmly inscribed his name on the tablet. It is not at all unlikely that Henry Wood "the Wise" would be quite ready to follow this example.

J. E. LUNDBERG, Secretary.
Ephville Local U. F. A., April 2, 1938.

DEBATE AT STRATHCONA

"Is Modern Civilization a Failure?" was the subject of a debate by members of the Strathcona U.F.W.A. Local at a recent meeting. Mrs. Frampton and Mrs. Roberts, who upheld the negative side, were adjudged the winners by a narrow margin. Mrs. P. J. Christie, in whose home the meeting was held, gave a report on the convention held in Wetaskiwin on March 11th. Mrs. Tomlinson gave a paper on current events, and Mrs. R. E. Rosford gave a humorous reading.

THE U.F.A. RESOLUTIONS AGAINST GLORIFICATION OF WAR

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bating this tendency, the common people must endeavor to secure educational reforms which will permit such change of interpretation of historic and economic events and would enable the rising generation to see clearly the utter folly of imperialistic teaching and training. By correct interpretation of history and economics, we will be able to develop a new ideology, and by physical training fitness, and through this preparation the rising generation would, whenever conditions demand it, be sure to fight in the interest of human liberation from unjust conditions.

Although we as producers fervently hope for the attainment of "peace on earth and good will toward men," nevertheless it is wise to be prepared for all eventualities. Those who want to be free must themselves strike the blow. By teaching and developing correct ideas this can be accomplished. "As a man thinketh so is he," therefore it stands to reason that correct ideas will promote right action towards this end, and each of us must learn to do our part.

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Taxes on Autos Are Reduced by Budget

Chief Provisions of Federal Budget—Income Taxes Lowered

As stated in the article by G. G. Coote, M.P., published in this issue, the budget brought down in the House of Commons on April 15th by Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance, shows a net reduction in the national debt during the year of $22,359,000.

Reduction in the tariff on automobiles, reduction in income tax, and a return to penny postage, were other important features of the budget. The tariff on automobiles, motor trucks and motor cycles up to $1,200 in value is reduced from 35 per cent. to 20 per cent.; and on automobiles of more than $1,200 in value, from 35 to 27½ per cent. On April 19th the Ford Motor Co. announced through the press reductions in the prices of their automobiles, as follows: touring car, $25; runabout, $15; sport roadster, $30; coupe, $40; Tudor, $45; Fordor, $45; light delivery truck, $20; chassis, $30; truck, $40.

Incomes up to $3,000 in the case of married persons or other persons supporting certain relatives, and up to $1,500 for other persons, are exempt from taxation under the proposed budget. The tax on an income of $4,000 (married person without dependents) is reduced from $80 to $30; on $10,000 from $619.50 to $290; on $50,000 from $9,649.50 to $8,350. It is proposed to make these changes effective in regard to the year 1925.

The receipt tax will be abolished, and the sales tax will be removed from a number of articles.

ALL JOIN POULTRY POOL.

Practically every farmer present at a meeting held in Aetna recently joined the Poultry Pool. An address was given by P. Stacey, of the Department of Agriculture, stressing the necessity of securing bred-to-lay strains of poultry, of proper housing and feeding, culling, etc. The idea of a community hatchery was favorably received, states B. K. May, in reporting the meeting, and if a plan can be evolved that will not entail too great an expense to the individual farmer, probably 1927 will see a hatchery established in the Carston district.

REORGANIZE LOCAL NEAR STETTLER

Liberal Local, in the Stettler district, has been reorganized, with A. E. Pierce as secretary.

ALBERTAN OFFERS WEAK DEFENCE OF GROSS MISUSE OF FIGURES CONCERNING CYPRESS

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ions at the present time. Among these are:

Provincial Control of Natural Resources.
Development of Spray Lakes.
Provincial Control of Companies and Charters.
Northern Railway situation, with special relation to a coast outlet for the Peace River.
Revaluation of Soldiers' Lands.

Is the inactivity on these matters at U. F. A. Edmonton or at Liberal Ottawa?

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